

# City of New Westminster McBride-Sapperton Residents' Association

### **AGM Meeting Minutes**

**Location:** Knox Presbyterian Church

**Date of Meeting:** Thursday, January 15, 2009 7:00PM

In attendance: 17 including MSRA Directors and Councilor Betty

McIntosh

All directors are to step down tonight and anyone is welcome to join as a director

#### 1. Traffic Update

Dana Hings

- Next meeting is scheduled for next week
- There are traffic issues around McBride School. Dana on a walk around with Catherine Hart (traffic consultant) during school hours. Richmond St is very dangerous around crosswalk. One idea is to look at curb extensions at crosswalk.
- Another idea is to put cones on Archer St. to prevent congestion.
- Because the school is French emersion and Montessori kids are from all over New West

## 2. Discussion of position on New Westminster Parking/ garage/ building heights report. Lynn Roxburgh

- There are 4 different reports
- Multiuse parking: Enforcement of parking use. Reduction of the amount of spots in developments closer to skytrain
- Garage height: There have been numerous complaints on height and size
  of garages. Looking to change the way that height of garages is
  measured. Also looking at floor space restrictions.
- Additions to single family and duplexes. Look to make it easier to do renovations on existing properties. 4 ft minimum (side) Encourage reno's rather than knock down of existing buildings.
- 3. Proposed development in Coquitlam. Brunette River Village All

- · Currently an industrial site
- New West council does not approve of development.
- Concern that there is only one access: North Road
- Would utilize New West facilities and not be in the tax base.
- Is going in front of Coquitlam council shortly

#### **Motion**

To write letter to Coquitlam council listing our concerns on the negative impact to our neighbourhood as a result of the proposed Brunette River Village.

For: 15

Opposed: 0

#### 4. MSRA Financial Statement

**Kevin Little** 

- Financial Statement
- Geoff would like to invest in some Christmas lights for East Columbia St.
- Geoff to look into cost and report back next meeting. Will check with Sapperton Merchants association as well.

#### **Motion**

To accept financial statement

For: all

#### 5. AGM Election of Directors

#### President

Neil Powell

#### Vice President

Geoff Pinkerton

#### Secretary

Dave Mullane

#### **Membership Treasurer**

Kevin Little

#### Traffic & Parking

Dana Hings

#### **Director at Large**

- Peter Van Garderan
- Ken McIntosh

#### Monica Hardjowasito

#### 6. Other Business

#### Boulevard tree Damage (Archer St)

- Improper trees on some boulevards (balakatia)
- Have been a problem all year not just due to bad weather.
- Have not wanted to remove.
- Have emailed them pictures
- Do not have an arbourist right now

#### **City Grants**

- Are there any grants for residents associations now?
- Talk to Engineering Contact: Jim Lowery

#### Motion

Letter to the city asking about the engineering capital plan for east Columbia St.

- From City staff present and is planning to attend meetings to answer any development questions
- For:13 opposed: 0

#### Vermiculite insulation (Zonolite)

- Class action lawsuit
- Is caustic
- Need your name in by Aug 31
- Ken McIntosh will send out

#### Recycling

- Thoughts on extending recycling centre hours.
- City states that no one has asked before about this.
- Not open Mon-Tues.